HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 721 By DeBerry L

A RESOLUTION to commend Keniqua Marie McAdams for exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Keniqua Marie McAdams is one such individual who has distinguished herself in her role as a legislative intern for Burney Durham, Chief Clerk of the Tennessee House of Representatives; Keniqua's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators she assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Hume Fogg Academic Magnet School in Nashville, Keniqua is the daughter of John and Linda Greene, and the sister of Makeva Pannell, Kris Greene, Karl Greene, Jonathan Greene, India Greene, Sabrina Greene, Isiah Greene, Jydon Greene, Rio McAdams and Pio McAdams; and

WHEREAS, a student at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville, where she is highly regarded by her peers, Keniqua has achieved academic success while majoring in Spanish and Political Science and participating in numerous extracurricular activities, including the Student Government Association, Student Judicial Board, Golden Key Club International Honor Society, National Society of Collegiate Scholars and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, after receiving the African American Scholarship from the University of Tennessee, Keniqua helped start the African American Achievers Advisory Board at UT to create a sense of community between the scholars and act as a liaison between the needs of the scholars and the requirements set by the Program Directors; she became President of the Board and served for two years; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize herself with the characteristics and complexity of Tennessee state government and to further her studies, Ms. McAdams brought her many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2005 session of the One Hundred Fourth General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, serving as a House Bill Clerk during her internship, Keniqua was assigned to serve as Computer Clerk to the Judiciary Committee and Consumer and Employee Affairs Committee and the Civil Practice, Elections and Higher Education Subcommittees; she also served as Secondary Clerk to the Education Committee; and

WHEREAS, during floor sessions Keniqua served ably as Page Supervisor, which position included overseeing and instructing the pages, as well as producing the page certificates; she went above the call of duty by providing candy for the pages; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2005 legislative session, Keniqua has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; and

WHEREAS, on May 7, 2005, Ms. McAdams graduated cum laude from the University of Tennessee; she will travel abroad this summer to Puebla, Mexico to study at the University of Puebla with future plans to attend law school and become a bilingual lawyer; and

WHEREAS, she has performed her many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend Keniqua Marie McAdams for outstanding service as a legislative intern for Chief Clerk Burney Durham of the Tennessee House of Representatives and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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